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Or are her eyes fair beauty among the rest!
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Fair ladies—I wish you a happy New Year.
And now gentle friends, just a word of adieu:
'Mind your bers,' as you play life's adventurous game
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Take the passport of wisdom and virtue, to fame,
Look you ing not in rudeness, stay not in vice—
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ner;
The shroud of your life may be clipp'd as a true,
Make the best of it—I wish you a happy New Year.
W. E. B.
From the "Friendship's offering" for 1837.
BY WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON.

I had been disappointed in love. As sings an old rhyme, which I remember to have met with—

"My heart was sad,
For the maid was married whom I should have had."

When I say that it was not my first disappointment, I feel disposed to make an affair of the heart. I would not that the reader should infer either that I am a cold-hearted fellow, or that my love was of so little consequence as to be thrown away at the first offer. On the contrary, I was the most constant and devoted of swains. What I mean to say is, that my heart was in war, was in love; that is to say, true to my colors for the time being—but it was not the only fault of the object of my adoration married another; and he must have odd notions of propriety who could expect me to love her afterwards.

But, although it was not my first love, I see not why I was less to be pitied on that account; since, as in love, as in gout, every fresh attack may be more severe than the last; and thus it was in my case.—The man who hangs, drowns, or shoots himself, under such circumstances, is precluded from another chance in the lottery of matrimony; and, therefore, I did neither. "There are," says Wilfred Jenkins, or some other classical authority, "a good fish in the sea as ever came out of it."

However, I had no special temptation to remain in a circle where I was consistently expected to the mortification of meeting the "happy pair," as all newly married persons are styled, and doubtless we, until their first quarrel, are among the most in Continent. It is true, I might have attained my object without meeting them, by applying to my friend S. I might have buried myself in the breast of the Glamorganshire mountains, and the smoke of forty furnaces, or I might have gone to sea, and smoke in the eternal drizzle of the Devonshire hills; but I had a fancy for drinking beer and smoking wine with me, "in its native purity," and therefore embarked for the Rhine.

My method of travelling *à l'Anglaise*, that is, as if the object were to get over the greatest quantity of ground in the shortest space of time, I went up the river, and down the river, and across and it again; pursuing a day at one spot, and two days at another, and was all the home from every point at which they could be viewed.

I had been tarrying a short time at Schaffhausen, when I encountered an old friend, who, like myself, had gone thither to see the fall of the Rhine; but who, on the score of my perfect knowledge of the Continent, I assumed to join his more experienced. He had with him a light cabriolet, and a pair of English bays, which, being consigned to my care for journey with all despatch, he could not take with him, and therefore committed to my care: I under taking to bring them home with me to England—He likewise left with me his postillion, who a favorite by birth, who was accustomed to my ways, and my language and whim, independently of his *professional* acquirements, and perfect knowledge of the latter tion, I found useful as an interpreter, my own Teutonic lore being rather theoretical than practical.

A friend of mine being resident at Stuttgard, I resolved on paying him a visit, which, proceeding by easy stages, with occasional halts of a day, for the purpose of resting my horses, I could well accomplish with the travelling equipage placed at my disposal.

It was on the afternoon of a remarkably fine day, towards the end of the month of March, in the year in question of this plan, I was travelling through the Schwartzwald, and, as I thought, I never saw trees taller than I expected to find them, and, accordingly, found so. I had been to the admirable highways of England, I had seen the pines of Norway indeed, but I wanted but two hours of sunset, and there were yet no confines to the trees and the solitary inn in the forest, at which I proposed to halt.

Being naturally anxious to reach my quarters before night-fall, I put my head out o nike window for the purpose of urging on my postillion the expediency of quickening his pace, when, to my surprise, I was attracted by the sight of a travelling-carriage, nearly overturned, by the road-side. It had, apparently, been in the act of ascending a steep hill on which was visible, and that, disengaged from the vehicle, was pressing on a little patch of greensward beneath the trees.

The only human being on the spot was a young man, probably not more than five and twenty. He was somewhat about the middle height, athletically, yet not inelegantly formed—His hair was light, and slightly curled; his complexion remarkably fair, but ruddy; and his face, although less round to be deemed strictly handsome, had a pleasing and good humoured expression, which, combined with his laughing light-blue eyes, formed a striking contrast to those Wertervisage with which romantic young ladies are wont to fall in love, as prompt paymasters draw their bills, at sight. He was shired in a blue frock-coat and foraging cap, and had altogether the look and air of a gentleman.

When I first descried him, he was, with a fint in his hand, endeavouring to coax a reluctant spark, from the tyre of one of the wheels, into a piece of German tinder, for the purpose, I presumed, of lighting his cigar. On my addressing him, he declared from the purest English I had formerly, at the house of a merchant in London, been thrown into the society of some American gentlemen, and I thought I could detect, in the first sentence of his reply to my expressions of condolence in his misfortune, that he was of the same country, which, it afterwards appeared, he really was.

In answer to my inquiry as to the cause of the accident, he pointed to one of the fore-wheels, which was lying a few yards in the rear of the carriage.

"But where," I inquired, "is your postillion?"

"He has preceded on the other horse to an inn which, by a direct line, is to be seen from this, in the form of a distance," was the answer.

"Do you expect him back soon?" I asked.

"His return," replied he, "depends, I imagine, upon the quality of the landlord's wine, and the charms of his daughter, if he have any; for the knave, I find, was born on the frontier, and with the true Teutonic taste for the wine fluid, has all a Frenchman's decidedness to the fair sex. The fellow has been gone long enough to have been back an hour since."

"I marvel," said I, "that you did not mount the other horse, and follow him."

"I made the experiment," was the reply, "but it did not answer."

"Indeed, sir!" I exclaimed; "would not the beast let you get on his back?"

"O, yes!" said he "but he had an objection to my remaining there for long; for, as I did I venture to suggest to him the propriety of quitting the greensward for the road, than the brute flung his heels up in the air, and, after a few of these exercises with as little ceremony as if I had been a sack of potatoes."

"But what do you propose to do?" I asked.

"Do!" he echoed; what can I do, but pass the night in the forest here, with the hope to sympathize for a traveller in my condition. The only carriage that has passed since my spot, since the commencement of one of the set, who, with a chevaux-de-frise of beard and moustache, which would have defied the most determined assault upon his jaws, popped his head out of the window, and inquired minutely into the particulars of my misfortune: but as she could not offer me a seat in her vehicle without incommoding her maid or her marmoset, she left me, with many expressions of commiseration, and the consolatory assurance that the wolves invariably devour those who are left behind by their travelling party."

As time was precious with us, I leaped from the carriage, and assisted the American in the transfer of his luggage from his vehicle to my own, when, with a few, but earnest acknowledgments, he took a seat beside me, and we pursued our journey. His name, I perceived by the superscription of his portmanteau, was Woodley.

My fellow traveller was frank and communicative, by the time we arrived at the inn, I gathered from his conversation that he had been brought up for the profession of physic, but, having inherited, by his father's death, a competency sufficient for his wants, he had abandoned, and, although not a confirmed, was a considerable dilettante in the science.

John Bull, the salesman, poured out wine for the other Bull, and, after a few words, and some rather free remarks from the latter on his portmanteau, and drawing down of lights between the two gentlemen, they sat down to dinner.

Woodley, who exhibited a forethought and presence of mind, rarely witnessed on such trying occasions, "Much," he added, "was to be done in the short sequence to reduce the odds, whom, I fear, are opposed to us, we cannot, after such a direct injunction, that he should not be disturbed until the morning, send for him, without awakening suspicions which may precipitate the catastrophe we seek to avert."

The fact is, that the poor fellow, naturally of a lowery habit, had been so overcome by the fatigue of his journey and the almost constant attention to the latter, that I had dismissed him to his chamber, which was in a remote part of the rambling old building, as soon as he had despatched his meal.

"Nevertheless," resumed Woodley, "we may as well open a reconnoitre, and call the landlord into the opposite apartment; for, although, to judge of this gentleman's height in him while he lay in a opened just now, he will help us little if it come to hard knacks; it is but fair to apprise him of the danger to which, I doubt not, he is exposed in connection with ourselves."

At the opposite end of the little suite of rooms, in which the dinner was spread, was a young lady, apparently about nineteen, in whose features a "general resemblance," as it is called, to the gentleman who suffered down into expression of surpassing loveliness, and left no doubt that the twain before me were father and daughter.

I believe there are few persons who care to be interrupted at their dinner, but I am sure I am a friend to give them an excuse for drinking an extra glass afterwards; and thus it was, that, although of so early hour, the landlord was summoned to "undress" his "medius res," informed him of our discovery in the matter of the valise.

—Obliged to you all the same sir," said the worthy senior, "but I never touch a drop of their wishy-washy wine myself, nor my daughter neither, since the presence I stood,—received me with an encouraging nod, and obligingly pointed to a chair at his right hand.

The reader will readily believe that I wasted few minutes in the way of ceremony, when I found

THE PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL MESSAGE ON THE

Texas Question.

The following message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Donelson, his Private Secretary, Andrew Jackson, Jr. Esq.

To the House of Representatives of the U. S.

During the last session information was given to Congress, by the Executive, that measures were in progress to renew the political, military, and civil condition of Texas. On my behalf, for your consideration from the report of the agent, who had been appointed to collect, native information of that country.

2.

The steps have been taken by the Executive towards the acknowledgment of the independence of Texas; and the results will next week have been left without further remark, on the information now given to Congress, were it not that the two Houses, on last session, separately, and by several resolutions "that the independence of Texas ought to be acknowledged by the United States, whenever satisfactory information should be received that it had in fact in successful operation a civil government capable of performing the duties and fulfilling the obligations of an independent power." The matter interest in the question of the independence of Texas, and the duration of the war of her existence make it proper that I should communicate to you the considerations of that body governed the Executive in continuing to occupy the ground previously taken in the contest between Mexico and Texas.

3.

The acknowledgment of a new State as an independent, and entitled to a place in the family of nations, is at all times an act of great delicacy and responsibility, but more especially so when such State has forcibly separated itself from the mother country, and the newly established parent, and which still claims dominion over it. A premature recognition under these circumstances, if not looked upon as justifiable cause of war, is always liable to be regarded as a "proof" of an unfriendly spirit towards one of the contending parties. All questions relative to the government of foreign countries, whether of the old or new world, have been treated by the United States as questions of fact only, and our predecessors have not customarily abstained from deciding upon them, until the clearest evidence was in possession to enable them not only to decide correctly, but to shield their decisions from every unworthy imputation. In all the contests that have arisen out of the revolutions of France, out of the changes made in the Government of Portugal and Spain, out of the revolutionary movements in the Netherlands, and of the separation of the American possessions of both from the European Governments, and out of the numerous and frequent wars arising out of the efforts of dominion in Spanish America, so wisely consistent with our just principles has been the action of our Government, that we have, under the most trying circumstances, avoided the reproach, and unconstrained no other evil than that produced by a transient suspension of our usual intercourse with those against whom we have been, by force of evidence, compelled to decide.

4.

It too then seems to be known to the world that the uniform policy and practice of the United States is, to avoid all interference in the domestic concerns of other nations, and to abstain from a hasty recognition of the changes of government, or new sovereigns, which may take place, from time to time, in countries convulsed by civil war, until the newly organized Government of the country, and a perfect guaranty to all other nations, of the private and pacific character of the measures which might be adopted.

5.

In making these suggestions, it is not our purpose to withhold any opinion of the propriety of expressing my own opinions of the course the interests of our country demand, or as the occasion permits us to follow.

6.

It is scarcely to be imagined that a question of the character could be presented in relation to which it would be more difficult for the United States to avoid exciting the suspicion and jealousy of other powers, and maintain their existing neutral character for fair and impartial decision; but on this, and on every other trying occasion, while it is to be inquired of a free people, we must speak.

7.

In the contest between Spain and her revolted colonies, we stood aloof, and waited, not only until the ability of the new States to prove themselves was fully established, but until the danger of their being again subjugated had entirely passed away. Spain, and her allies, must be recognized. Such was our course in regard to Mexico herself, and such the policy we observed in all the disputes growing out of the dismemberment of the Spanish monarchy, and of the subsequent wars between the parent country, united under the name of Government, and the Spanish American States, who began or carried on that contest for the purpose of establishing their independent existence was no longer a subject of doubt. Their right to the unmolested enjoyment of the form with which they had been previously united, and for which they had fought and bled in the civil authority of Mexico has been expelled. Their right to self defence, at the head of the forces which they had organized, and all proved power to control the newly organized Government of Texas, established within its confines. But, on the other hand, there is, in appearance at least, a settled purpose on the part of Texas to maintain the sole of Mexico. The Mexican Republic, under former Executive, a ruling in force sufficient to restore the dominion, and menacing a fresh invasion to recover the dominion. If on the event of the contest, the independence of Texas may be considered as supported; and were that admitted

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Saturday, December 31, 1836.

Mr. Peter F. Ehrman is appointed agent for the U. S. Gazette at Lancaster, Pa. in place of Peter D. Myers, resigned.

Messrs. Daniel H. Agnew, Osmond E. Fletcher, Webster Thorne and Cadet Hooper, have left West Point, N. Y. They will oblige the publisher by naming their present residence, including the small balance due for the S. E. Post.

One of our Exchange papers, contains an account of the burning of the General Post Office, at Washington, D. C. We did not know the exact locality of this office before, though we acknowledge a slight suspicion that it was in the close neighborhood of a neighborhood.

AMERICAN MUSEUM.

Mr. Walden's truly wonderful magical experiments, and the Conflagration of Moscow, form the attractions, at present exhibiting here, in the extensive establishment of the Museum. This, with the extensive collection of the works of nature and art, contained in this establishment, cannot fail of being resorted to as an enterprising proprietor, that encouragement which his efforts entitle him. Monday being celebrated as New Year, the exhibition will be repeated during the course of the day and evening.

THE ATHENÆUM.

This is one of those institutions of which our citizens may well be proud. The best newspapers from all parts of the Union, and a great number from England and the Continent: newly every literary Journal, that our own industry can produce, and everything to the amount of being imported, from abroad, are to be found in this repository. The newest novels, poems, and in general all that belongs to the amusing literature of the day, may be found there in connection with the most abstruse works on scientific subjects. It is the resort of strangers, who visit our city from all parts of the civilized world, and it would well become some of our wealthy citizens to increase its library, and to adorn its walls with the best productions of the brush, and the sculptors chisel. An act of the Legislature, passed for the purpose, would be all that is necessary to the establishment of a Public Library, and Philadelphia is funnily supported by the Athenæum. It is by supporting institutions of this description, that we hold the present envious rank among the cities of the Union.

SILK MANUFACTURE.

On Tuesday evening last, the friends of Silk Culture and Manufacture in the United States, held a meeting in the Merchants' Exchange, which was largely attended. On motion, B. Biddle, Esq. was called to the Chair, and Mr. T. R. Roupe, appointed Secretary. Richard Peters, Esq. addressed the meeting in a spirited speech.

The report of a Committee appointed in November last, by the friends of Silk Culture, was then read, in which, they proved they had investigated the subject with much industry, and the result of their labors was, that the business required capital, and the successful operation of the business in this city, were highly flattering.

Messrs. J. S. Richards, S. C. Clearsland, Moses Kempton, Caleb Cope, and S. P. Hebbler, were appointed commissioners to receive subscriptions for Stock, and to procure the passage of a charter when 500 shares shall be subscribed.

Articles of Association were read and approved. The name of the Company is to be the "Union Company," and its capital is to be \$100,000, divided into 2000 shares of \$50 each.—The stockholders to hold general meetings in June and December.

It was proposed that the company should purchase the Silk manufactory, fixtures, &c. and machinery, of Mr. Dalton & Co. which it is said have been engaged in the manufacture of Silk in the city, for some months past, and produced in the meeting a large number of beautiful articles of their fabric.

We hope to be able in our next, to give the report of the committee at large, and to find the committee and the friends of our fellow citizens, who have taken an interest in the subject, on the prospect of establishing amongst us a manufactory, which might, and probably soon will, become a staple article of our domestic manufactures, in which we can compete successfully with the foreign market.

But one thousand shares of the stock are to be subscribed for at the present opening of the book, and those subscribers are entitled to take the advance if they choose.

We hope all friends to their country's welfare, will take an interest in the company immediately, especially as it holds fair to prove a valuable investment of capital.

My Daughter's Manuel.—This volume comes to us enveloped in a neatly printed wrapper, bearing the names of George & Byington, of Chesnut street, by whom the work is for sale. The handsome binding and gilt edges, render it very suitable for a New Year's Gift. The contents, as far as we have examined, appear to be very interesting to the class of readers for whom they are intended. Many of the sentiments deserve attention for their novelty and originality, and the author is evidently an experienced and practical writer.

Mr. Henry's Poems.—The seventh edition of this work has just been issued. Dr. McHenry, well known to our citizens as a writer, and here as a resident, and his publications will need no success they merit.

Messrs. Turner & Fisher have published two of "Turner's Dramatic Library of Acting Plays," in a neat miniature form—Ion and Lucrece are the subjects of these Nos. For sale by Turner & Fisher, 11 North 4th street.

HISTORY OF CHINA.

Two very interesting volumes—forming the LX number of the Family Library, and may be in point of attraction to any of the preceding Nos. It is admirably done. The accompanying plates are also admirable specimens of the French, perhaps, celebrate this festival, with the most spirit. Referring to the pages of the Literary Day Book, for a computation by which it appears that the amount expended upon London and sweetmeats alone, for New Year's presents, would be sufficient to pay the sale of jewelry and fancy articles in the first week of the New Year is estimated at one fourth the sale during the whole remainder of the year.

We conclude this article by wishing to our patrons, each and all, individually and collectively "A HAPPY NEW YEAR."

THEATRICALS.

Chesnut Street.—The Ravels are still performing at this theatre, and their unequalled rich comic talents meet with the universal applause of all who have beheld them. A contemporary remarks that the performances of these extraordinary artists have been every where suspended by calling forth the highest encomiums that the language could afford. Their talents are unbounded—their versatility of genius is astonishing—their execution is perfect—their grace is unrivalled—their agility is unequalled—their wit is unbounded—their humor is irresistible—their pantomime is unsurpassed—their dancing is unparalleled—their singing is unexceptionable—their acting is unimitable—their combination is unattainable—their attitudes are unapproachable—their figures are unexceptionable—their countenances are unchangeable—their powers are unlimited—their efforts are unbounded—their merits are unappreciable—their benefits are unprofitable—their salaries are unpaid—their engagements are unfulfilled—their terms are unacceptable—their visits are unexpected—their departure is unlooked for—their absence is unregretted—their return is unwished for—their faults are unnoticed—their follies are unnoticed—their virtues are unnoticed—their talents are unnoticed—their merits are unnoticed—their benefits are unnoticed—their salaries are unnoticed—their engagements are unnoticed—their visits are unnoticed—their departure is unnoticed—their absence is unnoticed—their return is unnoticed—their faults are unnoticed—their follies are unnoticed—their virtues are unnoticed—their talents are unnoticed—their merits are unnoticed—their benefits are unnoticed—their salaries are unnoticed—their engagements are unnoticed—their visits are unnoticed—their departure is unnoticed—their absence is unnoticed—their return is unwished for

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